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Basic library skills, classification, & children's services courses offered at 2005 Summer Institute

Registration for the 2005 Summer Institute is now open on the <u>Missouri State Library Web site</u>. This year the State Library will offer one session of basic library skills and two advanced library skills sessions. Institute is scheduled for August 2-5, 2005, at the Best Western Columbia Inn in Columbia. The registration deadline is July 18.

The basic course will provide a four-day overview of libraries and library services and is intended for those who are attending the institute for the first time. The course also includes a choice of two Internet training sessions at MOREnet.

"Library Classification," one of the advanced skills courses, will provide an introduction to the principles of library classification with detailed instruction on the use of Dewey Decimal Classification. It focuses on uses of classification in libraries, types of classification schemes, construction and application of DDC, and a review of the best practices in establishing and revising library classification policies and procedures. Erlene Dudley, library director and associate professor at Williams Woods University, will be the instructor.

"Library Services for Children," the other advanced skills course, will focus on the public library's role in providing services to children, ages 0 through 12, and their families and caregivers. The course will examine the principles and function of collection development, evaluating juvenile literature, reference and readers' advisory services, and developing programs. The instructor will be Pamela Barron, associate professor, University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Registration and complete Institute details can be found on the <u>Summer Institute Webpage</u> or by contacting Brenda Sites at 800-325-0131, ext. 13, or <u>brenda.sites@sos.mo.gov</u>.

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